

City of Austin Urban Trails Update

April 2015



City of Austin Urban Trails Program

Agenda

- Urban Trails Program
- Urban Trails Master Plan requirements
- Updates:
 1. Violet Crown Trail
 2. Country Club Creek Trail
 3. Boggy Creek Trail
 4. Mopac Mobility Bridges
 5. Shoal Creek Trail
 1. 15th to 24th
 2. West Ave. to 5th
 6. Austin to Manor, Phase II



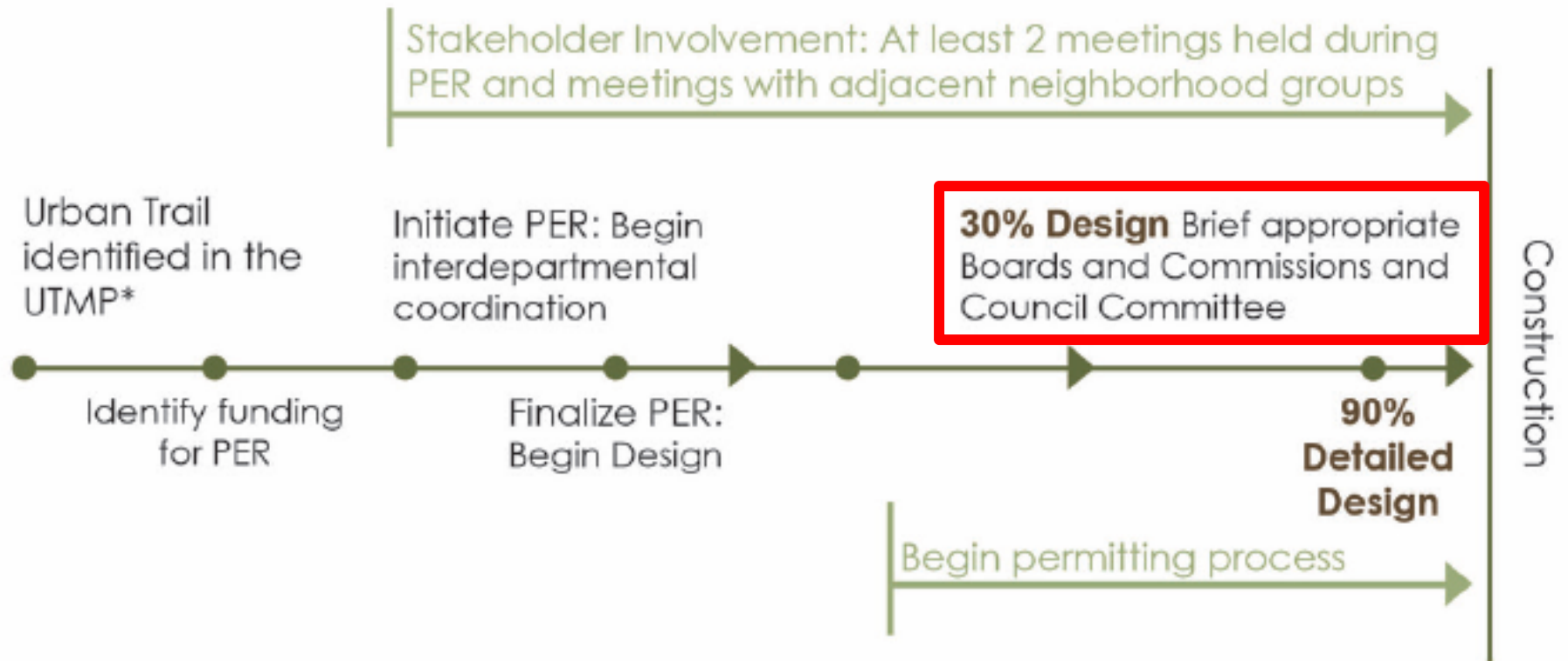
Urban Trails: A citywide network of non-motorized, multi-use pathways that are used by bicyclists, walkers and runners for both transportation and recreation purposes.

Urban Trails:

1. For transportation & recreation use,
2. Link to bicycle & sidewalk network,
3. Wide enough to accommodate all users,
4. Include amenities & unique features,
5. Maintain & operate for safety and comfort,
6. Context-sensitive, environmentally sustainable,
7. Preserve & improve wildlife habitat.



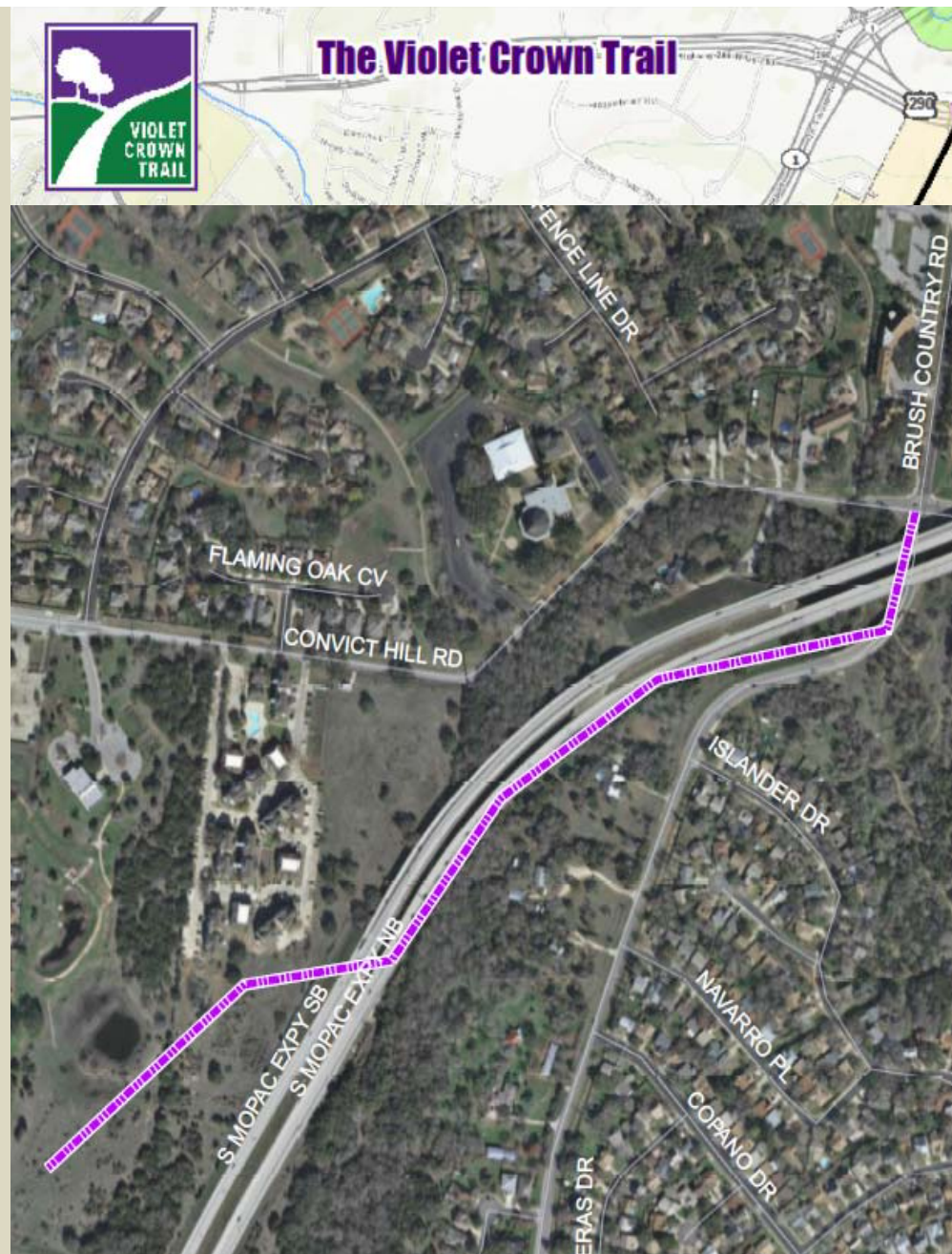
Urban Trail Implementation Plan Diagram

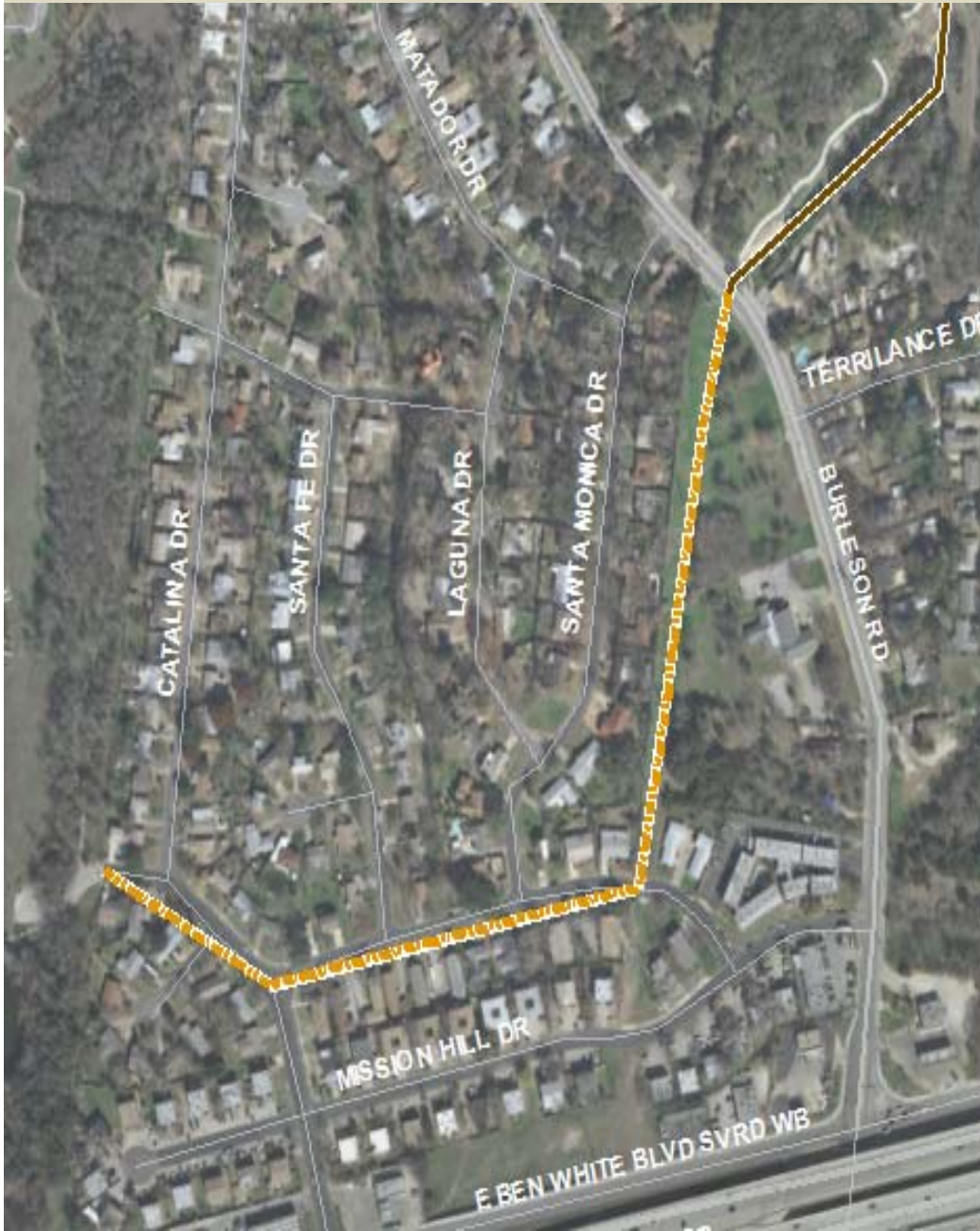


*Tier II Urban Trails were identified during the UTMP or previous planning processes. Development of Tier II Urban Trails will occur upon adjacent development, planning, or land use changes. All Urban Trails identified in the UTMP are conceptual in nature. Specific routing for Urban Trails is determined during the PER and design phases.



- PPP with HCC
- Constructing from Convict Hill - Hampton Library.
 - Begins Sept. 2015, completed summer 2016.
 - Cost: \$844,000 provided by 2012 Bond funds
- Staff completing PER for section from Home Depot Boulevard - Arbor Trails Development.
- Other sections constructed by Parks Department and HCC.





Country Club Creek Trail

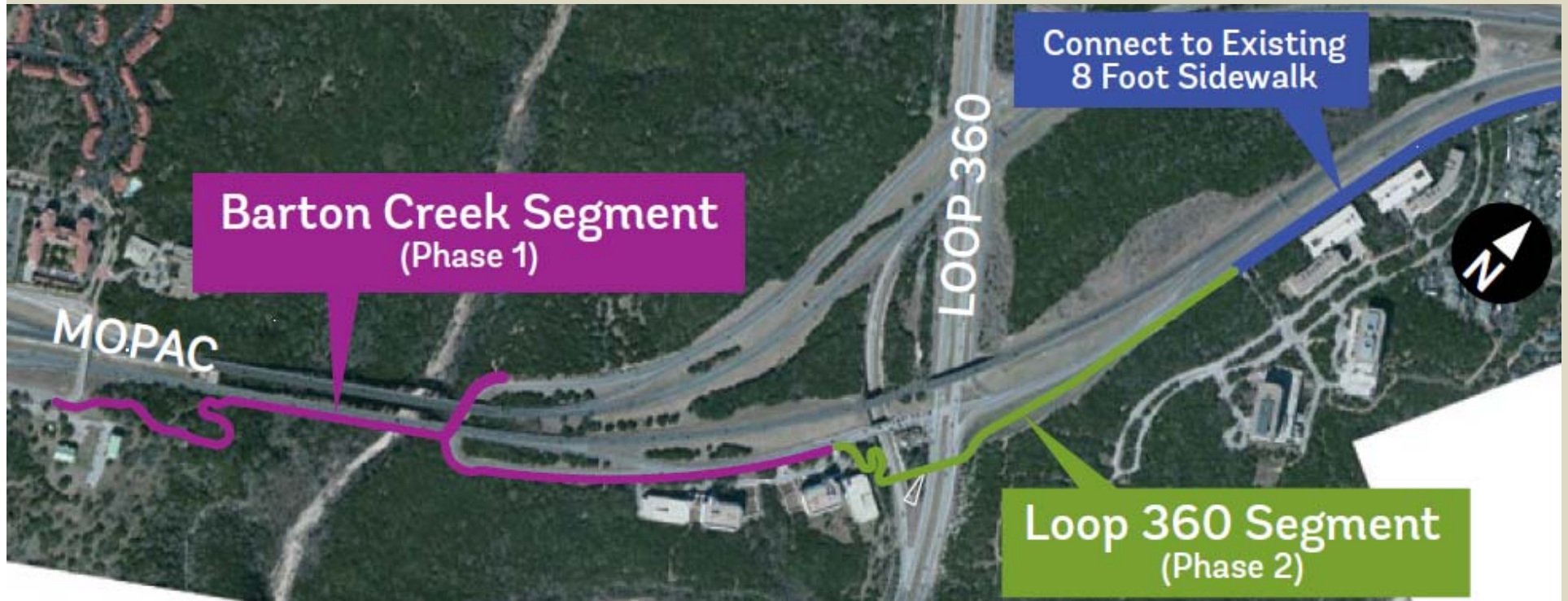
- 2 PER stakeholder meetings held winter 2014-2015
- Stakeholders preference to begin design and construction of section 1: Mabel Davis Park to Burleson Road.
- Design complete May 2015.
- Construction to begin Fall 2015 and open Spring 2016.
- Design + construction cost = \$500,000 (available from 2012 Bond funds).
- Subsequent sections funded by parkland dedication, bond, and grant funds.



Upper Boggy Creek Trail

- Connect Rosewood and surrounding neighborhoods to:
 - MLK Station, Sustainable Food Center Community Gardens, Farmer's Market, and more
- 1 new creek crossing.
- 0.5 mile
- Meredith Family donating easement for trail.
- 90% design
- Seeking funding (\$1.6m) for construction.

Mopac Mobility Bridges



- Phase 1: Construction of a 14-foot-wide, 1,045-foot-long bridge over Barton Creek began in Feb. 2014 and is on-track to be complete by March, 2016.
- Phase 2: Construction of two additional bridges which span Loop 360 began in January of 2015 and is on-track to be complete by December, 2015.



Shoal Creek Trail: 15th to 28th Street

Construction should be substantially complete by fall of 2015.



Shoal Creek Trail: West Ave. to 5th Street



- Begin construction May, 2015.
- Substantially complete by Winter 2016.
- Includes one bridge over Shoal Creek (connects Rio Grande to Shoal Creek Trail).



Austin to Manor Trail: Phase 2

- Lindell Lane to Ben Fisher Park (Gilleland Trail)
- 3 miles
- 3 low-water bridges
- Seeking \$6m in to construct.

